

## COMMANDER IN CHIEF ALLIED FORCES SOUTHERN EUROPE

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Dear Paul,

Thanks ever so much for your most thoughtful letter of congratulations. I need and appreciate the support of good friends like yourself because the challenge ahead is great. I'll do my best to live up to your and the President's expectations.

I have followed your activities with the Manpower Commission. I enjoyed your piece in the recent Naval Institute <u>Proceedings</u> but was concerned that they so circumscribed you in terms of length that many of the reasons for the recommendations were not amply set forth. There were a number of instances in which I thought the recommendation was very exciting but felt a need for more background.

I'm sure your new task is a monumental one but one of great importance. I am certain you will have full support from President Carter in cutting down on paperwork.

Again, thanks and all the best.

Yours,

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